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## New Pulitzer Stamp To Go On Sale In New York April 10

The Post Office Department announced today that the three-cent Joseph Pulitzer commemorative postage stamp will be placed on sale at New York, N. Y., on April 10.

Purple in color and of special delivery size, the stamp is arranged horizontally with a single outline frame. Its central design is a portrait of Pulitzer in an oval to the right. To the left is the Statue of Liberty across which are the words "Our Republic And Its Press Will Rise or Fall Together" in dark modified Gothic. The dates 1847 and 1947 appear below the portrait in white Gothic with the name Joseph Pulitzer just below in the same style of lettering. In the lower left in a dark counter is the denomination "3c" in white Gothic. To the right of this in a dark panel is the lettering "United States Postage" in the same style.

The design for the Pulitzer stamp was suggested to the Post Office Department by Carl W. Ackerman, Dean of the Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism, which Mr. Pulitzer founded. It was through Pulitzer's efforts that funds were raised for the erection of the pedestal on which the Statue of Liberty now rests and which to this day throughout the world is a symbol of hope and opportunity. The quotation on the stamp is that of Pulitzer and expresses his conviction that a free press and a government based on the principles of democracy are inseparable. The portrait on the stamp is a reproduction of a painting by John Singer Sargent.

Collectors desiring first-day cancellations may send not in excess of 10 addressed envelopes, accompanied with remittance for the stamps to be affixed, to the Postmaster at New York 1, N. Y., in time for servicing before April 10. The envelope addressed to the Postmaster should be indorsed "First Day Covers, Pulitzer Stamp". To expedite handling, first-day covers will be cancelled by machine as much as possible. The stamp will be issued in sheets of 50 and the initial printing is for 100,000,000.

The Pulitzer stamp will be on sale at the Philatelic Agency, Washington 25, D. C., on April 11 and at other post offices throughout the country as soon as distribution will permit. The Philatelic Agency does not service first day covers.

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## Another First, For Airmail Cover Fans

Two special air mail cachets—one for San Francisco and one for Honolulu—have been prepared by United Air Lines to commemorate the opening on May 1 of daily passenger-cargo service between San Francisco and Hawaii.



Air Mail covers sent to the postmaster at either San Francisco or Honolulu should be accompanied by letters authorizing the holding of covers for the first flights and requesting application of the cachets. Space approximately 2½ by 2½ inches to the left on the address side of all covers is required for the cachets. The covers will be carried on United's new high-speed four-engine DC-6's which carry 46 passengers, air mail and cargo on the cross-Pacific flight. At the outset, United will operate one daily round trip between the Mainland and Honolulu.

### FIRST DAY EDISON

The first day sales of the three-cent Thomas A. Edison commemorative postage stamp at Milan, Ohio, on February 11, 1947, are as follows:

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It certainly has several of the earmarks of patriotism for on one side is a red cancellation, on the other a blue one, both of which are on the white envelope.

## Annual Spring 'Gedunk Party'

The Roosevelt Philatelic Society of Chicago will again be hosts to Chicagoland Stamp Clubs at their Spring Gedunk Party to be held Saturday, April 26th in their Club Rooms in the Grand Crossing Park Fieldhouse, 77th St. and Ingleside Ave.

The Junior group of 25 collectors sponsored by this Society will present an exhibit of 100 frames and suitable awards will be given. Judges will be members of the adult group.

Formal presentation of the A. P. S. Chapter charter will be made to the club president Allan D. Parsons by Col. R. A. Kimble, Editor of the American Philatelist, and the Annual "Phil-Oscar" will be presented to the outstanding collector in Chicagoland who has contributed most to philately in 1946.

The evening will be brought to a congenial close by informal gedunking, a ceremony with which the club's many friends are well acquainted.

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## Rebellion Flares In Collector Ranks Over Proposed New Zealand Government Policy Regarding Designs For Stamps

An editorial very much to the point, and one that could be applied to the philatelic activities of many countries, has been sent to us from New Zealand. The collectors down there seem to be very much on their toes, and quite vocal as to their likes and dislikes in stamp matters. The following is taken from the latest issue of "N. Z. Stamps", a magazine published monthly at Christchurch, New Zealand.

### "KILLING A GOLDEN GOOSE"

The announcement made last month that New Zealand is to have a new set of postage stamps and that each of the values is to have a portrait of King George VI, similar to the low value stamps already on issue, can only be described as astounding.

ASTOUNDING because it shows beyond all shadow of doubt that those in charge of the postal administration of this country still regard the world-wide hobby of stamp collecting as a thing for children and cranks. And this, despite the figures that have been shown by the Peace issue.

Somewhere in Wellington there seems to be the misconception that unless this country has a set of stamps, each value of which shows a portrait of the reigning monarch, there is a possibility of one of two things. First, that His Majesty might think New Zealand was lacking in loyalty and, second, that stomach-crawling expression of loyalty might one day lead to a few O. B. E.'s being scattered about.

The answer to the first is to be found in every corner of the world where the silent crosses stand above the graves of New Zealand men and women who did not need a stamp portrait of His Majesty to whip up their courage so that they were willing to lay down their lives for their Empire and their country.

The answer to the second count is one that is more readily understandable because it is just a case of history repeating itself—in the hopes.

But the most assinine thing about the whole position is that just when New Zealand stamps had been raised from the lowest depths to such a high peak that they were being sought for in every country in the world, all the good work done by the thousands of collectors in the country is to be nullified.

Week after week someone or other in an official position blabs about the post-war tourist trade, its "possibilities," its "potentialities" and all the rest of the familiar jargon. But none of them do anything except to wipe out in one stroke one of the greatest advertising mediums this country ever could have—its pictorial commemoratives.

Already the big dealers overseas have made up their minds. The new "loyal" set is classified

as just another set. None of them are interested in it. None of them want the stamps in any quantity. Writing to The Stamp Shop, one of the leading London dealers said there would be no interest in the new issue and that he did not want any supplies.

If New Zealand wants the tourist trade in the immediate post-war years she has only to issue a set of commemorative pictorials to have the story and pictorial description sent into every corner of the world by thousands of people who are only too glad to do the work. Instead, this country will now have to indulge in high-costing publicity by people doing just a routine job and not dependent on the success or not of that job for their living.

"Inside information" is that the new issue is only a stop gap, which sounds like a regular official get-from-under. The trouble is that during the period the stop gap is working, interest will die out and it will take years and years to make up the leeway.

The other side of the case is, of course, that the loss of overseas sterling revenue that will follow the issue of the "loyal" set means the people of New Zealand have to go on paying taxation that is out of all proportion.

There is talk in philatelic circles that ALL the clubs are to take united action in making a strong protest to the Government. STAMPS hopes they do, but feels more like saying: "That'll be the day!"

Anyway, the golden goose is dead. Strangled with bureaucratic red tape.

### STAMP DEALERS BOURSE

Miami's first stamp dealers bourse and exhibition, Sunday, February 23, at the El Comodoro Hotel, Miami held open house to over 300 collectors and dealers. Reported gross sales exceeded \$1500.00. The holders of the fifteen bourse tables seemed to have had a profitable and interesting afternoon, which is reason enough for their enthusiasm for the second such bourse, to be held at the same place on Sunday, March 30, from 1-6 p. m.

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The Post Office Department has been advised by the Canadian Postal Administration that air mail service will be inaugurated on a route between Halifax, Nova Scotia, and Boston, Mass., via Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, and Saint John, New Brunswick, on or about April 1.

A special cachet will be provided at Boston and at the Air Mail Field, Boston, Mass., and the usual treatment of philatelic mail will be authorized.

Requests for covers bearing the Boston Post Office cachet should be sent to the Postmaster at Boston. Requests for the Air Mail Field cachet should be sent to the District Superintendent, District 6, Railway Mail Service, Boston 9. Covers may be addressed to any office in the United States or Canada. They should be prepaid at the rate of 5-cents an ounce and should be accompanied by a letter authorizing the holding of the covers for the first flight and requesting application of the cachet. Each cover should be endorsed in pencil in the lower right-hand corner below the address, "Via Halifax, Yarmouth or Saint John", as the case may be. Space approximately 2½ inches by 2½ inches to the left on the address side of all covers is required for the cachet.

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Covers must be sent in an outer wrapper plainly marked "First Flight Covers", which must also be fully prepaid and addressed to: District Director of Postal Services, Halifax, Nova Scotia for cachets for Halifax to Boston and Yarmouth to Boston, and to District Director of Postal Services, Saint John, New Brunswick, for cachet from Saint John to Boston. Covers must be sent to reach the District Director at Halifax or Saint John not later than March 29.

Covers received over the first flight from Halifax, Yarmouth and Saint John, will be backstamped upon receipt at Boston and forwarded to destination.

## New First Day Cover Catalogue Available

Values of U. S. first day covers, with single stamps and with blocks of four, are given in the 1947 Catalog of First Day Covers just issued by The Cover Exchange of Scranton, Pa. This is the ninth in a series of annual "Cover Guides" published by this organization.

The catalog numbers of the covers are the dates of issue, in the new catalog. Any First Day can be found from its own postmark. There are no separate classifications based on the kinds of stamp issues. The regular issues, commemoratives, air mails, stamped envelopes, special deliveries, etc., are all arranged in the order of their dates of issue.

A fixed date has been given in this catalog, to the revalued 6c. on 6c. airmail stamped envelopes, Oct. 1 1946. This was of course the first day also of the new 5c. rate. No first day dates are given to the earlier borderless 6c. airmail envelopes, or the 6c. on 2c. airmail envelope. Information is requested by The Cover Exchange as to the earliest known cancellations on these issues.

An old timer in the field of cover collecting will have no difficulty using this catalog, but we would recommend that some explanatory remarks be included to guide the inexperienced collector. Our copy of this work was received through the courtesy of Mr. L. P. Miller.

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"Subscribers to the 'Who's Who on the Postage Stamps of Latin America' series, will be interested to know that the Pan American Union has been fortunate in obtaining the services of Miss Diana Hall who is now engaged in an intensive study of the history of Haiti. Miss Hall, recently associated with the American University, will have at her disposal a vast array of literature and official records in French, Spanish and English, in her preparation of the Haitian Who's Who Booklet. Announcement will be made later as to the publication date of the Haitian booklet."

## CORRECTION

In our issue of Feb. 27th, we note an error in price for the used Brazil Roosevelt stamp in ad of Snyder Stamp Shop, of Toledo, Ohio. The correct price should be \$1.00 and not \$7.00 as shown. Please refer to ad in issue of that date, for correction.

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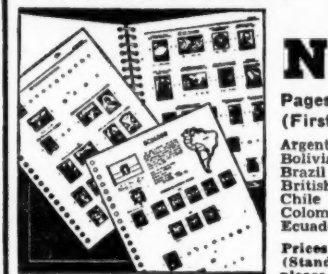
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## World's Greatest Collectors' Show

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**GEO. LINN** ers and collectors and publishers of this country pledged around one hundred thousand dollars to underwrite and guarantee the expenses of this show and to insure its success. Thousands of dollars more have been and will be paid by the more than 100 dealers who will have booths for the sale and display of their wares at the show and much more money will be paid in admission fees.

We believe that it is safe to say that all in all there will be transactions in relation to this show that will total close to a quarter of a million dollars, indicating in no mean way that Philately is big business and not child's play as some people are too often prone to believe.

In addition to money actually laid out for the show as indicated above, there will be an additional sum which will run to a far greater figure, spent by collectors from all over the world, who will journey across the ocean, collectors from all over the United States and Canada, collectors from Mexico and the countries to the south. The total volume of money that will be spent by these collectors in journeying to New York, in Hotel bills, train and plane fares and for board and keep plus amusement and sightseeing will total far more than the entire cost of putting on this great exhibition, so add that to the figure mentioned above and you will find the stamp collectors of America and the World laying out a sum of well over a half million dollars for this big ten day show in New York.

Such a record is doubtless comparable to many other lines of industry that might as a group put on a similar fair or display in the same location.

Yes, Philately and stamp collecting definitely are big business and this is further evidenced by the number of big business men, wealthy men who are associated with and followers of the hobby, also by the large stocks of rare and valuable stamps that many dealers carry in stock for sale to collectors.

One New York Dealer alone boasts a stock estimated to be worth five million dollars, perhaps the largest and most valuable stock of stamps ever in the possession of one single firm or individual. Many others hold stocks upward of \$100,000.00 with hundreds of smaller dealers about the country holding stocks valued from as little as \$5000 or less up to near the hundred thousand dollar mark.

Any attempt to estimate the actual value of stamps held in collections by collectors would be ridiculous to attempt. Any well informed person in the Philatelic world can name a dozen collectors off hand whose collections will value from \$100,000.00 up and there are literally thousands upon thousands who have accumulations to the value of from \$1000 to \$50,000.00 or more.

Just what the value of the stamps to be shown in New York will amount to would be a prime puzzle for anyone. This fact might well be a proper subject for an interesting problem at the show.

Might we suggest that as a means of additional revenue, the show might prepare a quantity of coupons, one to be given with each admission, whereby the attendant is asked to estimate the value of the stamps on exhibition, with a substantial premium to be offered to the one making the closest estimate. Were it possible (which it probably is not due to lottery laws) these tickets might be sold at 10c each, allowing anyone to buy as many as they chose to buy and the sum re-

lized could provide a substantial fund toward expenses.

The final valuation figure could be estimated by the judges, taking into consideration the actual insured value, plus any added figure they might care to attach. Such a guessing contest would add much of interest and be a publicity feature well worth the effort.

## VOX-POP

March 6, 1947

Linn's Weekly Stamp News  
 Sidney, Ohio  
 Gentlemen:

While I was down in the islands I was informed that the Philippine government was discontinuing the Philatelic Agency in Washington and that thereafter all stamp sales would be handled from the General Post Office in Manila. I paid a visit to the post office in Manila and met the party who would be in charge of the stamps for sale to the collectors. I feel that it would be considerably better if they could return to their old practice of selling the stamps to collectors in the United States through the Washington Embassies.

On the 31st of December, 1946, the enclosed article appeared in the newspaper in Manila. I think that the American collectors should start a campaign of writing letters to Mr. Luna objecting to the stand taken by him in this matter. If the Philippines should flood the market with an issue of stamps every month, they will necessarily get into the same position as the other countries and kill the status of Philippine stamps.

We trust that you will see your way clear to publish as much of this as you think within reason.

Very truly yours,  
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## P840 MILLION ANNUAL GOVT INCOME POSSIBLE THROUGH STAMP SALES

The exploitation of a rich field of revenue for the country, that of stamps, is urged in a communication to congressmen and other prominent officials by Severino N. Luna, president of the Philippine stamp dealers association and executive secretary of the Philippine philatelic club.

Luna urged the creation of a bureau of philately as contained in a bill by Rep. Jose Roy, which would enable the Philippines to have an extra income of around P840,000,000 a year based on a single issue a month. He said the 35,000,000 stamp collectors throughout the world are a potential market for Philippine stamps.

Assistant Executive Secretary Nicanor Roxas, Luna disclosed, has sent him a communication saying the president has signified interest in the creation of the proposed bureau. Luna recently sent the president a communication pointing out the advantages of the creation of a bureau of philately.

Explaining his letter to the officials, Luna pointed out that a systematic campaign to present Philippine stamps to philatelists throughout the world would give the country more than what we used to get from sugar and copra exports before the war.

"The idea," he said, is "not to sell to local philatelists, but to interest the millions of philatelists throughout the world in our stamps."

**EDITORS NOTE:** While we never hesitate to expose any attempted mulcting of collectors, we can't, in this instance agree that twelve new stamps a year are excessive. Our own United States has bettered this amount many years, sometimes even doubling this amount. We also believe that Mr. Luna was over enthusiastic in trying to present his idea to the proper authorities. As to again selling Philippine stamps in Washington, that won't

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## New Zealand Peace Stamp Rarity Sold

Further word on the variety found on the 5d. Peace Issue of New Zealand, illustrated on page ten, is carried in an article of N. Z. Stamp Magazine. The following is a quotation from N. Z. Stamps. "In a recent issue STAMPS gave the exclusive story of the finding of a copy of the 5d. Peace stamp with the 'Dominion Monarch' shown as a reflection, and also illustrated the item."

The story has been discussed at a number of philatelic meetings and also at various clubs, and the know-alls soon found out all there was to find out about just how the rarity came into being. Incidentally, according to reports that have reached STAMPS, they also knew just what its value was, the maximum price in their estimation, being round about 5/-.

This is interesting, because it bears out what this paper has been saying for a long time past, namely, that many of the so-called "experts" in this country talk mostly through their hats and that their real knowledge of values does not exist.

Here is what happened in this instance. No sooner had the story from STAMPS appeared in England than the cables started to hum, and within a few days the rarity had been sold to an English buyer for £50, which makes the so-called experts look pretty small potatoes whichever way you look at it."

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Philippines Booklet  
Panels Scandal

Linn's Weekly is now in a position to offer to its readers several previous unknown facts regarding the 2 centavos Rizal, of green color, which it was alleged had been reprinted with the intention of giving collectors one more variety to chase. An inquiry was directed to responsible parties in the Philippines, who now furnish these official opinions

Mr. Severino N. Luna of Manila, Philippines, on behalf of Linn's Weekly directed several questions regarding this issue to Mr. Juan Ruiz, Director of Posts. The questions asked by Mr. Luna, and the answers given by Mr. Ruiz are as follows.

Q. Approximately what part of the year in 1941 were the original 2c Rizal green booklet panels received, and when were they placed on sale?

A. All records were destroyed. However the Chief of the Stamp Section believes that the 2c Rizal green stamp booklet panels were received by the Bureau of Posts near the middle of 1941.

Q. Approximately, how many were received in Manila in 1941?

A. Our records of the quantities of stamp stocks received from the United States were destroyed during the war operations.

Q. Did your office receive any further shipment of these stamps during the Japanese occupation?

A. No further shipment was received during the Japanese occupation.

Q. Do you of your own knowledge know that reprints of these booklet stamps were made in Washington? How long ago did you know about it?

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the order for the reprinting the 2c Rizal green booklet panels. There was no need for ordering a reprint of such stamps, as it was then a new issue, and the Bureau of Engraving and Printing in America, used to keep the stock thereof for us, subject to requisitions from time to time by the Philippine Government. Such procedure had been followed, as we did not want to keep large quantities in stock, because of climatic conditions.

According to Mr. Ismael Mathey, who was an official of the Commonwealth government when that government was transferred to Washington, D. C. during the war, no order for reprinting of such stamps was made, but a certain quantity thereof was requisitioned from the stock of the Bureau of Printing and Engraving.

Q. Did your office receive any shipment of these stamps after the liberation? If so, what quantity? Was it ever released for sale to the public? If so, when?

A. After liberation, we did not receive any such shipment of stamps, because we did not requisition any more of them. This series was replaced by the Victory Issue.

Mr. Luna offers an opinion of his own regarding the panels, which we quote from his letter.

"I, for one, believe that the 2c booklet panels we have here now in circulation among dealers and philatelists are those originally received in 1941. I must confess that I have not seen any of the so-called reprints".

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Several national magazines are planning to do features, that will be lavishly illustrated. Newspapers in many parts of the country are running stampic essay contests among the school children. Dealer booths have now nearly all been taken. Out of an original 125, only six remain to be rented. For a while, keen competition existed among dealers in bidding for the position of their booths. The consensus seems to be, that the lower floor will offer prestige, but upper floor will do the

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### POSTAL HISTORY PROJECT

An enterprise that is deserving of much encouragement and help is the Postal History Project of the Wisconsin Federation of Stamp Clubs. It consists of historical research work and the collecting of postmarks from individual counties of that state. The County and Postmaster Postmarks of Wisconsin is the publication in which these results are listed. It is edited by Paul H. Segnitz, and Ray Van Handel, under the sponsorship of Burleigh E. Jacobs. It is quite a distinctive publication, in that it is well illustrated, clearly written and easy to use.  
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First Day Cover Service for collectors in the United States is planned. One cover with the three stamps will sell for 35 cents, or three covers for a dollar. Three blocks on cover are \$1.30 each, or four for a sum of \$5.00. The deadline for orders on these covers is April 15, therefore it is advisable to airmail your order. The Danish Poster Stamp Union, F. D. C. Dept., Ordurprej 92, Charlottenlund, Denmark are the sponsoring group.

This information comes as a news release from Europe, and while it is probably quite reliable, collectors are asked to recognize that they are sending for an item such as this at their own risk.

### EASTER SEALS

The fourteenth annual issue of Easter Seals is now on sale by the Ohio Society for Crippled Children. The seals are printed in sheets of 100, and have four straight-edge sides. This year's offering is another attractive one. It pictures a child carrying a crutch while walking along a beam of starlight. No date appears on the seal, but it does bear the slogan, "Help Crippled Children." The colors are white, blue and yellow.

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The Pulitzer stamp will be the seventh in what has become somewhat an RKO series of first day mailings, originated and prepared by Leon J. Bamberger, sales promotion manager and vice-president of Cinema Stamp Collectors.

### A CORRECTION ON THE SWITZERLAND-NEW YORK CENTENARY FLIGHT

In a recent announcement of the Swiss Air initial flight from Geneva to New York City, it was stated that payment necessary to service covers could be made by International Money Order to Switzerland. The Post Office Department advises that this service is as yet not available to Switzerland, and do not know the date when it might be resumed. There are only several legal alternatives to use or the payment of the required charges on this flight. One, payment by International bank draft, and two, by International Express Money Order. The cost of both of these means are prohibitive if only a few dollars are sent. It is illegal to send money, while stamps are not acceptable.

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John Sidenius, a regular classified advertiser, sends us his First Day cover price list, also lists Airmail covers. Lists includes items from 1923, right up to present day. Noted he is carrying Airmails of the 1918-1923 issues. Persons wishing to see the price list may do so by contacting dealer, 593 Main St., Hackensack, N. J.

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and Pulaski, all very famous  
Poles. Kosciuszko and Pulaski,  
are especially interesting to the  
collectors of this country for  
stamps have been issued in com-  
memoration of each. Various  
coats of arms are shown; even a  
shield of the United States has  
been incorporated in the design.

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to his booklet "Philatelic Path-  
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of those days. There still are good  
supplies around but it will take  
a tenacious collector to round up  
a good showing. Since this set  
was sold concurrently with the  
regular 1917 issue stamps general  
collectors usually follow the regu-  
lar set with the offset values. (1c,  
2c and 3c) As the "OPTIMIST"  
points out in commenting on this  
issue recently the 3c value is the  
most common making the 3c  
value of the regular set rather  
scarce precancelled. These stamps  
used to carry Scotts Nos. 525,  
526 and 529. I don't know what  
happened to 27 and 28. Maybe  
that fault has been remedied in  
later catalogs. I haven't checked  
lately. The three stamps come in  
different shades, I understand,  
but the Gray Green and the Blue  
Green of the 1c seem to me to be  
the most distinct. I never could  
see any shades in the two cent  
but always admired a nice bright  
copy of this stamp greatly. The  
three cent purple, I guess, has its  
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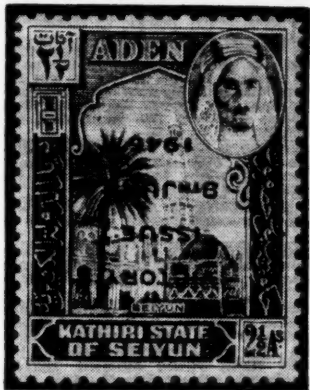
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**Collector Finds Inverted Print**

By Charles Hahn

Yes, it can still happen! A stamp collector can still find a rare error, just by chance. It happened to Bernard D. Keenan, 7836 S. Green st., Chicago, this week.

Keenan has been exchanging stamps with a philatelic friend, George Holden of London, for some time. Holden would send



new British issues over here, and Keenan would send new U. S. issues, together with an occasional food package, over there.

Last week Keenan received a complete set of the new British Colonial "Peace" issues from his friend in London. He sorted them out by country and by value. When he came to the 2½ anna value of Aden (Kathiri State of Seyun), a British Crown Colony on the Arabian coast, he passed it over the first time. He looked again. The overprint "Victory Is-

sue, 8th June, 1946" was printed upside-down.

The illustration shows the stamp Keenan found, which so far as is known, is the first one to be reported. Its exact rarity will not be known until the number printed in error can be determined. As it has taken so long for one variety to turn up, it stands to reason that there are not many such errors—so Keenan is probably a few hundred dollars richer today.

If you, like many other collectors, have waited and long hoped to find a rarity, it's nice to know it can happen—here.

—Chicago Sun

**Philately Can Rescue The British Empire**

It seems that in philatelically staid Great Britain some agitation has been going on for pictorial issues, on which more than the picture of His Majesty, the king appears. This news has been carried by both the radio and newspapers. The following editorial from the March 11, issue of the Dayton Journal just about sums up the information as well as it might ever be offered.

"Stamp collecting is a senseless, meaningless pastime to everybody but the stamp collectors. No matter how many kings and presidents indulge in it, to the uninitiated it is a heathen waste of time and money to buy, trade, and hoard postage stamps just for the sake of looking at them.

But the critic may now hold his tongue and hang his head. For the stamp collector has become a potential force in international finance who perhaps may help bolster the tottering fortunes of the British empire.

A Conservative member of parliament has said that if Britain would only abandon the stogy habit of putting her king's picture on all stamps and go in for some varied and picturesque designs, the British treasury would be enriched by millions.

So, philatelists of the world, it's up to you. Stamps for Britain! Open your albums, shell out the cash, and save the empire! That is, of course, if the tradition-conscious English decide to give you a chance."

The attitude of the British government has always been that stamps are issued for one purpose only, and that, to prepay postage. It is doubted whether a world of agitation would ever change the policy of the British postal administration, but it is the fervent wish of the collecting fraternity that such might happen. Whenever Britain does issue a commemorative, or other special stamp, it generally always is an attractive one.

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Recent Brazil Stamps Incorrectly Listed In Scott Monthly Journal

The following letter from Mr. Edmar Jovita of Belem, Para, Brazil is self explanatory and shows how and why Scott has erred in the classification of certain recent stamps of Brazil.

"As a subscriber of your excellent Linn's Weekly Stamp News which is certainly read by many collectors of Brazilian stamps, I should like to call to their attention the mix up regarding the commemorative set issued in 1946 of the 5th Postal Union Congress of the Americas and Spain.

"I have just received my copy of Scott's Monthly Journal for November and noted these stamps are classified four values as postage and three values as air post stamps, Nos. 643, 644, 645, C64, C65, C66, respectively.

Presumably these will be entered in Scott's 1948 Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue, Vol 1, as stated above, although this is not correct. The stamps Nos. C64, C65 and C66 with the values of Cruzeiros 1, 30, 1, 70 and 2.20 no doubt show an airplane flying over Rio de Janeiro and the values are the airmail postages to the various North, Central and South American countries and Spain, which tends to make anyone unfamiliar with the facts mistake them as air post stamps.

When these stamps were ordered from Waterloo & Sons in London they were probably intended as air postage stamps, but probably due to some oversight only the word "Correio" (postage) were printed therefore when the official notification of these stamps was published in the official paper the whole set of seven stamps was classified as postage. If the official notification had mentioned that these three values were "correio aereo" (air post) and the stamps had the words "correio aereo" (air postage) printed then the Scott's classification would have been correct.

The Brazil Filatelico for June mentions this and the new 1947 catalogue of Brazilian stamps issued here classify the whole set as postage.

Any of your readers may verify that all Brazilian air mail stamps have the words "correio aereo" when printed for this purpose, except the postage and official stamps which when used for air post have surcharges.

Hoping that the above information may be of some use to a few of your readers and asking you to please excuse my English, very truly yours

Edmar Jovita"

## INTERESTING FACTS

by L. F. Turley

The other day it was my pleasure to talk to one of the really old time collectors. One who bought the Columbian up to the \$5.00 value at the post offices when they were on sale there. Also the issues of 1873 in complete mint sets. Of course, he had the added advantage of having had a father that was postmaster of a small town in Ohio, but that did not add nor detract from the point that he was one of the first persons, so I have been told, that ever collected mint plate blocks correctly, in the state of Ohio.

For obvious reasons, we have promised not to tell this party's name but the old folklore that is retained in his memory is one of a thousand tales. It is amusing to hear him tell, as he shows the set of 1894 complete mint blocks, that this is where he missed the boat. If he missed the boat then we all would like to miss the same boat. It is true that he did not save them in sheets, altho I did see a full sheet of No. 303, more than one sheet of No. 368, a few blocks of No. 369 and others. How many sheets of the Panama Pacific No. 404 he had, I can not tell but one gathers that they are there and safely locked away.

The best part of the interview was not that this party had saved stamps for the sake of investment but rather because of the love of collecting stamps. For every mint stamp he had, he also had used stamps galore. It is one of the few fine collections that I have ever seen, and it has the mint stamps put into albums with hinges. These stamps are as fresh as they were at the time they were bought from the post-office. The hinge marks are no longer noticeable. In fact, if one were to lift up the stamps, they will come loose from the album page, and there is no sign of ever having been hinged. A properly housed collection to say the least.

One of the favorite pastimes, is to compare the face value of the stamps, the catalog values of 1890 and now. Also, to recall with a chuckle how he used to get stamps when just a small boy.

We shall try to use his words as nearly as we remember them. "While a small boy, I use to offer face value for any used stamp that I did not have in my collection. This brought me many varied kinds of stamps and also, old covers. It was finally a trick of mine to pick out a few stamps amounting to 15c or so, and pay the boy that had brought them to me. He would then throw the rest of the lot into my lap and say 'You keep them, I don't want them.' It is to be remembered this was a boy of 13-15 years of age dealing with other boys of the same age. Also, this was in the days when one could buy all the mint 1847 stamps he wanted at double or triple face value. With this system going on most of his youth, it may readily be seen how many stamps could be accumulated. A resume of holdings would show over 20,000 of the 1c and 2c Columbians, used, several hundred of all the values of 1873 or earlier. And so on, to keep you gasping.

As the old timer approached

manhood, he had to let his collection go by the way side while he made a name for himself in the world. That he did succeed is very easily seen in that he is well known and recognized for his ability to recognize stamps of greater value than the normal collector. His memory of having seen them while on sale at the postoffice is much better than the average collector today, on the common every day presidential series. Today, in the twilight of his life and the fond memories of yesterday, he is well satisfied with what has gone before.

So with this, we leave the old timer to his dreams of what he missed in fortunes in stamps, out with the knowledge that after all he did not do too badly for himself and those that come after him.

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